

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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MASSIVE REHABILITATION PROGRAMME FOR COCONUT CULTIVATION

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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether a scheme for coconut cultivation has been pending with Kerala Government as a 'Massive Rehabilitation Programme'; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): Government of Kerala has submitted a project on root (wilt) affected coconut holdings and enhancement of productivity of coconut in Kerala at a total cost of Rs. 1928.36 crores. The details of the project are as under:

1. Cut & removal of 37.19 lakh disease advanced root (wilt) palms @ Rs.350/palm - Rs.130.17 crores.
2. Cut & removal of 21.97 lakh disease affected juvenile palms @ Rs.100/ palm - Rs.21.97 crores.
3. Replanting of 18.60 lakh plants against the removal of disease advanced root (wilt) palm @ Rs.30/plant - Rs.5.57 crores.
4. Replanting of 21.97 lakh plants against the removal of disease affected juvenile palms @ Rs.30/plant - Rs.6.59 crores.
5. Establishment of 4 No. Serological laboratories - Rs.1.7 crores.
6. Integrated Management of 2.56 lakh existing Coconut Gardens @ Rs.21875/ha for 3 year - Rs.1685.32 crores.
7. Providing irrigation facilities in an area of 25,681 ha. @ Rs.30,000/ha - Rs.77.04 crores.

The details of the funding of the project is as below:

1. Government of India share - Rs.292.85 crore.
2. Government of Kerala share - Rs. 22.10 crore.
3. Farmers contribution - Rs.211.21 crore.
4. Bank credit - Rs.1402.19 crore.

The project is under examination of the Technical Expert Committee constituted by Government of India.

